



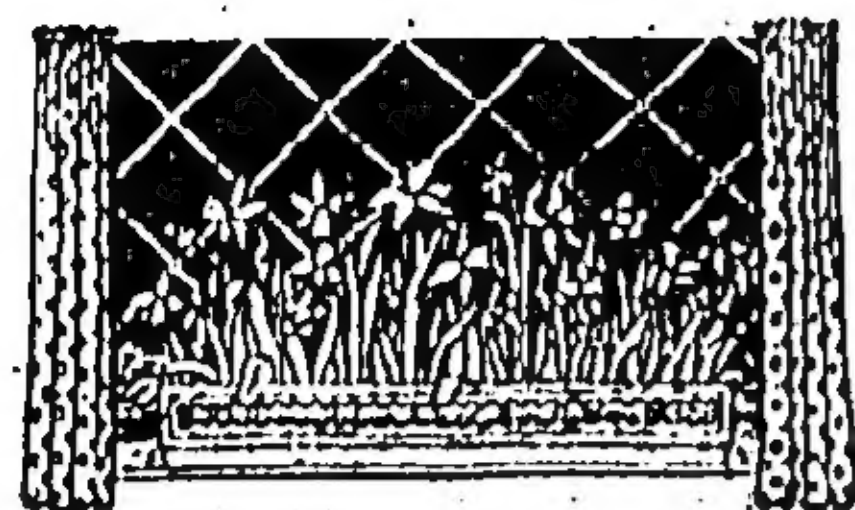




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GOC-in-C attends  
Confirmation service  
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More than 50 candidates, including several members of the Army, were confirmed by the Right Reverend R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hong Kong, at a confirmation service at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday morning.

A large congregation, including Lieutenant-General Sir E. C. Robert Mansergh, GOC-in-C, attended the service. Sir Robert was accompanied by his Aide-de-Camp, Lieutenant-Colonel T. H. Spears, and Lieutenant-Colonel Maddoc, OC 42 Commando.

Morning Prayers were conducted by the Reverend J. H. Ogilvie, Vicar of St. Andrew's Church. Mr. S. G. Hemery, organist and choir master, was at the organ.

The Lessons were read by Sir Robert Mansergh and Mr. James Wicks.

The Reverend I. E. Morris, Senior Chaplain of the Forces, presented the Army candidates for confirmation.

In a short and inspiring address, Bishop Hall, told the congregation of the responsibility and privilege of young people in joining the Fellowship of the Christian Church.

Those confirmed included:

St. Andrew's Church: Frances Elizabeth Alison Stewart, Jessie Margaret Christine Stewart, Russell George Symons, Myrtle Jean Symons, Margaret Blackmore, Hilary Hale, Jeannette Margaret Davies, Beatrice Frances Tonner, Sheila Crea Bolton, Grace Evangeline Becker, Thelma Cluley, Frederick David Rhodes Bottomley, John Victor Rhodes Bottomley, Donald Dunne, Michael Salter, John Staddon Davis, Andrew Gail Shirley Read, Lilian Whitehead, Mildred Joan Read, Margaret Sandra Chan, Henry Frank Farmiloe, Ernest Ralph Alexander, James Thomas Knowler, Gordon Jeffery Kuld, John Edward Clark and George Charles Moss.

St. Mary's Church: Wong Fung-chi and Wong Fung-foan.

All Saints' Church: Choy Shin Ki Leap and Chan Mei-chun.

Holy Trinity Church: Dorothy King and Mimi Wong.

Diocesan Girls' School: May Auyeung, Alverne Goon, Bertha Lam, Esther Lam, Patricia Wong, Minnie Melness, Mary Ramsay, May Kwan, Coralle Gilbert, Shirley Prognell and May Fragnell.

## BAND CONCERT

The band, pipers and dancers of the King's Own Scottish Borderers entertained a large crowd of music lovers at the New Botanical Gardens yesterday.

Conductor C. E. Packer chose a pleasing selection of marches, waltzes and dances which were well-appreciated by the audience.

The concert included the Entry of the Gladiators (Fuclick); The

Exhibition  
of Chinese  
banknotes

Hundreds of thousands of dollars in banknotes are being exhibited at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 64 Connaught Road, Central by the owner Mr. K. M. Yuen of Shanghai.

However, the banknotes are Chinese Paper money and their face value is worthless. They represent the collection of three generations of the Yuen family.

This is the first exhibition of its kind in the Colony and the exhibition will continue today and tomorrow.

Altogether there are over 4,000 specimens, the oldest of which is a 1,000 Sen note of the Sung Dynasty which dates back to 700 years ago.

Most valuable notes of the collection are banknotes issued in 1904 by the Tung Shan Bank and the Shin Yen notes issued by the Bank of Chekiang.

The collection was started over 40 years ago by Mr. Yuen's grandfather. Mr. Yuen the present owner has travelled the length and breadth of China in order to obtain specimens to complete the collection. Because of the entry of the Communists into Shanghai, Mr. Yuen had to bring his collection to Hong Kong.

He expressed the hope that he may be able to take the collection abroad to show to the people of the world.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE  
OLD BOYS

The Queen's College Old Boys' Association held its 23rd annual meeting at Edinburgh House on March 31.

The following officials for 1950 were elected:

Mr. Hin-shing Lo (President), Messrs: Richard C. Lee and H. N. Williamson (Vice-Presidents); Mr. Lo Chi-chin (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. Henry H. L. Kwok (Hon. Treasurer).

Committee members comprise Messrs: Mok Ying-kwai, Mak Kiu-hung, Pun Shui-luen, Ip Fook-ling and Lee Hin-leong.

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"Doubtless there is money enough among the aristocracy and others whose interest lies in keeping things as they are, including the heavy charges of royalty, to buy the bubble and place it as the brightest jewel in the British Crown. But such an act would be the proof of the loyalty of the people at large."

It could only be given to Her in Her capacity of Queen and Ruler of the British Empire; and at present, both at home and in the colonies, there is too much mismanagement and consequent suffering to allow of any large drain upon the loyalty and affection of the subjects. — *Madras Crescent.*

## Sandwich Island Princes

The Canadian steamer has brought to England the Hon. C. P. Fudd, American Minister to His Highness the King of the Sandwich Islands, accompanied by Alexander Lihilihi, his pre-emptive to the Hawaiian throne, and his brother, Lut Kamehameha.

The brothers are respectively about 17 and 16 years of age. They speak English with pleasing correctness, giving every evidence of good manners and education. The youngest has been selected by his uncle the King to succeed him should he himself die childless.

This, however, is but a remote probability, as he is married and is only 16 years of age. The Princes have been received at New York with becoming dignity and will no doubt meet in England with similar respect.

## The condition of China

At the monthly meeting of the Statistical Society in England, Dr. Gutzlaff, the Chinese traveler and chief interpreter to British establishments in China, presented tabular statements regarding the topography, population, government and revenue system of the Chinese Empire.

The principal effect of the learned gentleman's memoir was the removal of nearly all apparent ground for the incredulity with which the accounts hitherto given of the population of China have been commonly received: in Europe. It is said to amount to 367 million.

His description of the financial affairs of the Empire leads to the conclusion that China is approaching a crisis very similar to that which has again and again heralded the political revolutions of European States. The most remarkable result of these financial difficulties and the consequent embarrassment of the Government is the appearance of something very like a democratic movement among the people.

With this movement others, we are told, are also apparent, of a less regular and more dangerous character—communism being preached from the text so much affected by anarchists nearer home, that the poor are getting poorer and the rich richer every day, and that all social ills are to be cured by a re-distribution of the wealth of the community. In short, the politics of the Celestial Empire were described as now bearing a very close resemblance to those of other countries in which a central despotism has consented to open eyes, fallen into irretrievable ruin before a financial deficit.

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BEGGARS  
ROUNDED UP

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PERSONALITY PARADE  
No. 5-- Ruler of the Princely Hong

The Jardine traditions die hard, but the men who guide the policies of the largest and oldest commercial firm on the China coast are people who move with the times. Only infinite tact and initiative will keep Jardines on the summit of its now occupies—a slight relaxing, a slip in command, may well prove of incalculable significance.

Guiding the destiny of this great enterprise, in a period of trial and confusion, is another Scotsman in a long line of distinguished forebears from Dumfriesshire. On the Hon. David Fortune Landale has taken the task of piloting the perilous immediate course of his firm—which began more than 100 years ago on a shoestring and is now the giant in its field.

Many of the qualities which made Dr. William Jardine and Mr. James Matheson overcome their difficulties when the firm bearing their name was first established on the mudbanks of Canton in 1832, continue to prevail in the men who fill their role.

In 1832 these two Scotsmen seized the immense potentiality of the China trade, and were content to build on foundations which were by no means certain. The Imperial Viceroys were rickety and sinister, negotiations were hard and long, and there were no precedents at all on which to rely. But they were dogged people who were inspired by the grandeur of the prize, and lived long enough to see the acorn they had planted slowly emerge into the oak it now is.

But the war with Japan in 1941 badly hit this prosperous firm, and when Mr. Landale returned from England the physical condition of Jardines had returned to what it was in 1832. Millions of dollars in assets had been lost, personnel scattered and disorder reigned.

Three men left on the staff, the building on Pedder Street was stripped of all moveables, and the laborious work of a century had been virtually undone.

Into this chaos stepped Mr. Landale. He returned fresh from war service with the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, but the herculean nature of the reconstruction appalled him. For a man accustomed from birth to the untroubled comfort of an assured role, the task was not easy.

But ahead was the incentive of even greater expansion, and the fighting qualities of his predecessors asserted themselves once more. Today, despite the perils of a difficult future, Jardines is bigger than it ever was. The expansion—what astute reconstructions made inevitable—is a tribute to the man whose work made it possible.

David Fortune Landale is a Scotsman. In more than 100 years, no head of Jardines has ever been anything else. One of the coincidences which has since become a tradition—like the haggis which is eaten on St. Andrew's Day—is the Dumfriesshire origin of the Jardine executives. English organizations may insist on an Old School Tie—but Jardines simply say you must come from a Dumfriesshire family. Being Scottish alone is not quite enough.

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## British policy

The association of Jardine heads with local governments in Hong Kong and Shanghai has often led people to suspect that ultimate British policy in China is determined by what they think is best for their business. Mr. Landale denies this on the plea that Jardines was never interested in politics—only in commerce.

He was married in London in 1920. After a short holiday he returned to China with his wife to settle down in Hong Kong.

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But the people who work for him at Jardines know better. They realize the importance of his task, and the manifold responsibilities which are his.

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Over it all, with three other directors in Hong Kong, presides this man, whose mother's name was Mrs. Fortune. His modesty, regardless, the influence of Mr. Landale's personality is felt in every city where the flag of Jardines flies.

ss. Hanyang loads cargo for Tientsin

Loading of general cargo, consisting mostly of newspapers, destined for Tientsin delayed the sailing of the ss. Hanyang yesterday.

Only one of 10 European passengers is bound for North China. He is Mr. D. E. Baillie.

The other foreign passengers are all for Tientsin. They include Miss A. J. Irwin, Miss A. A. McNabb, Mr. J. H. Laidlaw, the Reverend H. W. Lane, Mrs. J. Lane, Miss M. Lane, Master D. Lane, and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. E. Kyle.

More than 50 Chinese passengers have booked passage on the steamer for North China.

Among the Butterfield and Swire vessels' general cargo beside newspapers are calculating machines, steel bars, copper wire, acetic acid, soda powder, caustic soda, gunny bags, rope, and paint.

## International outlook

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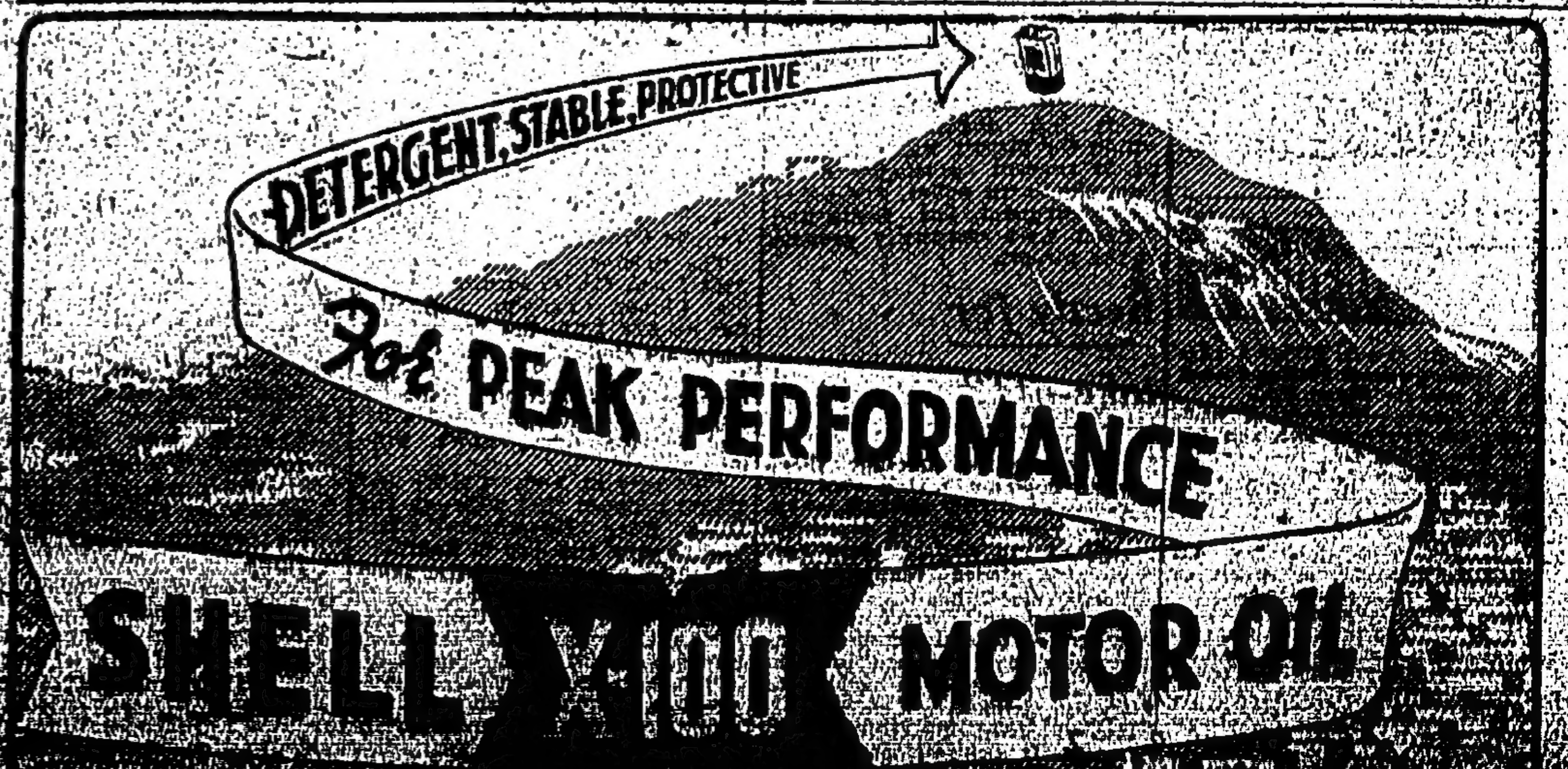
Ordnance men honoured at dinner

A dinner given by staff members of the Ordnance Depot, Mechanical Transportation Section, Kowloon Tong, in honour of Captain H. T. Harris and Mr. H. T. Lawrence, who are leaving for the United Kingdom, was held at the Hotel Nathan last evening.

The dinner was attended by more than 40 members of the staff of the Depot.

Captain Harris, Chief of the Depot, came out to the East in 1947. He spent two years in Singapore and came to Hong Kong last year. He joined the Army in 1927, and saw active service in Egypt, the Sudan and Palestine during the war.

Mr. Lawrence, Assistant at the Depot, who was transferred here in 1948, served with the Army in West Africa during the war. He is returning to London by the Empire Halliday to join his wife and five children.













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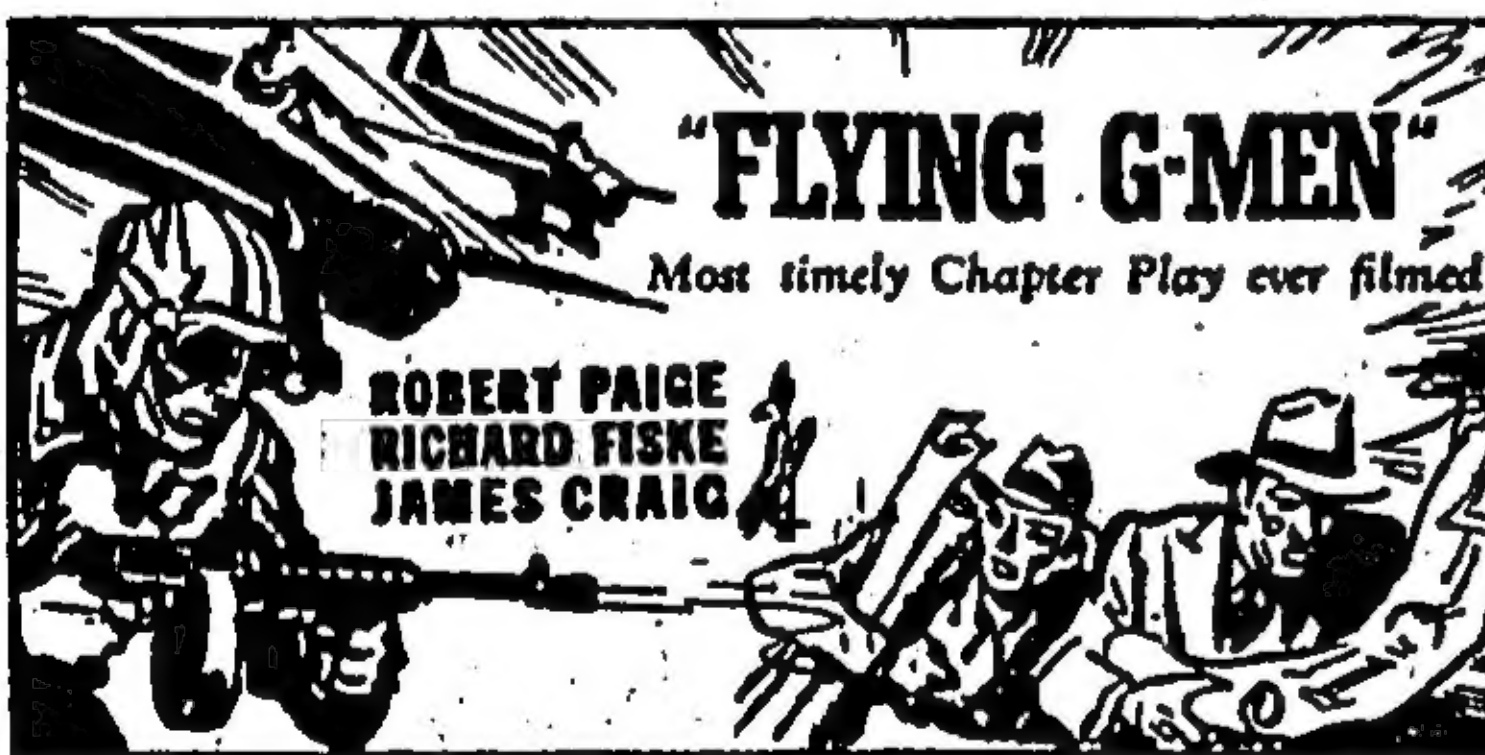
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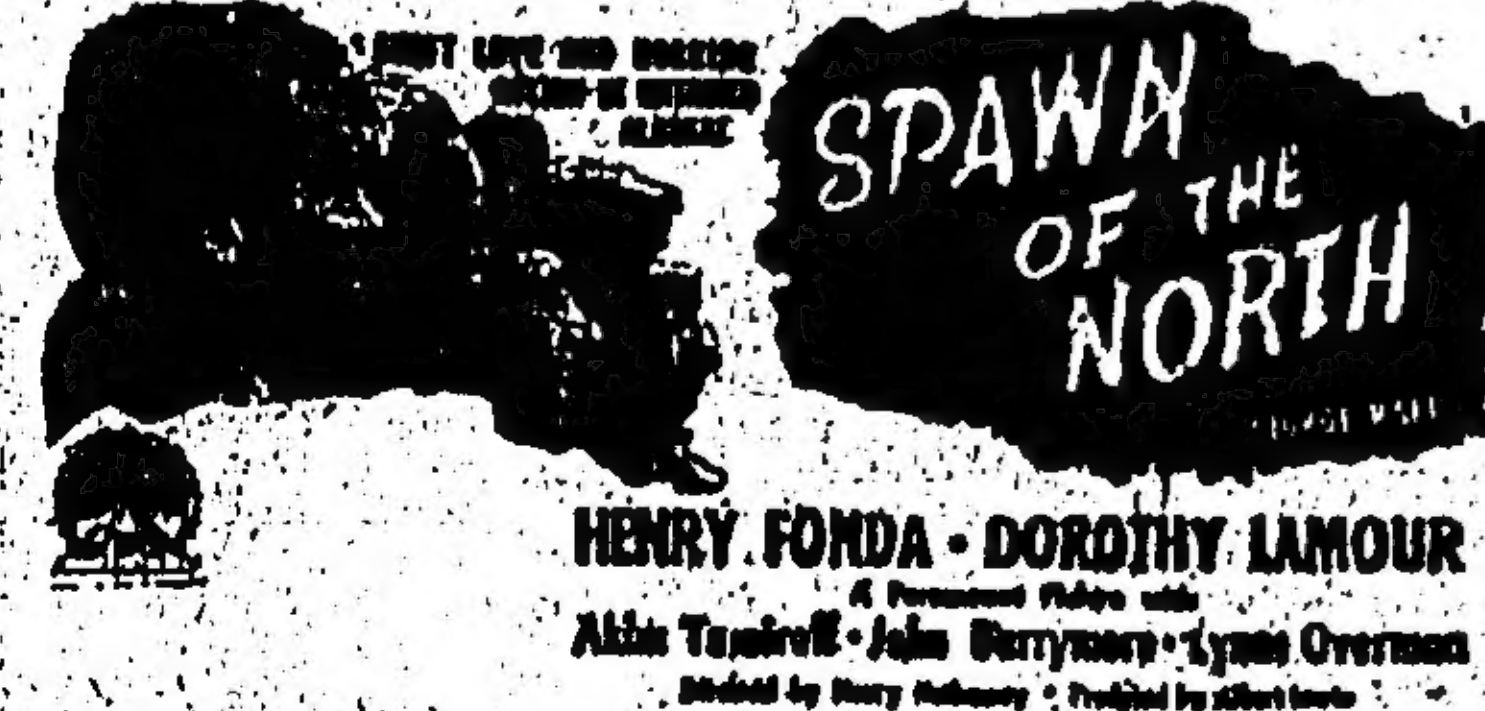
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A CHINESE PICTURE

# SIRDAR K.M. PANIKKAR

One of the key posts in Asian politics today is that of Indian Ambassador in Communist China. It has always been the ambition of Congress India to act as the bridge between East and West. To effect this, India must first come to terms with China, and here lies the opportunity for the Indian Ambassador in Peking.

Fortunately the holder of this key post is equal to its responsibilities. The Ambassador is an extraordinary figure as his mission is weighty. His name is K. M. Panikkar, and he is one of the most remarkable figures which this generation has produced, not only in India, or in Asia, but in the world.

Panikkar comes from the extreme South West corner of India, the Malabar coast, a country of great beauty, long tradition, and rather sinister fame as the centre of ancient cults and black magic. It is the home of a community of Indian Christians who claim, probably rightly, to date back to St. Thomas the Apostle. It is a country much over-populated, and also teeming with intellectual vigour. Panikkar belongs to a caste of hereditary warriors, called the Nairs, who in the past may have somewhat resembled the Samurai of Japan. Panikkar's family were land-owners. The timber used for making Nelson's flag-ship, the Victory, was sold from their forest.

As a young man, speaking not a word of English, Panikkar was sent as a student to Oxford. He obtained a brilliant first class degree in history. This was at the end of the first world war; and the next few years Panikkar spent travelling about Europe, living chiefly in Paris. This was the time when he acquired his grasp of what really happens in politics. He supported himself by journalism, and there was hardly a group, faction, class, or outstanding personality in Europe at that time, with whom he did not become acquainted. French parliamentarians, Nazis in Germany when they were almost unknown, Jesuits, Cardinals, Communists, Trotskyists, Annamites and Indonesian refugees, Chinese of all persuasions, Balkan princes, ministers, chamberlains and bandits—all he was quite at home. The immense gusto which he brought to the study of the whole range of public life has perhaps been equalled by only one other connoisseur of political life—Disraeli.

## Man of action

But Panikkar was not only an observer. Like Disraeli, he was also a man of action. For a few years, he remained poised, uncertain which way to throw his energies—whether in the cause of international revolution, towards which many of his friends sought to propel him, or in the cause of sober administration in the bourgeois world. Finally he chose the second course; but his achievements since then have been neither sober nor unromantic.

Panikkar was a strong nationalist. He came from an Indian State, Travancore, which had never been under British rule. To

serve under the foreign British Government in India was repugnant to him. But in the semi-independent Indian States, ruled by the Maharajahs, he found the scope he needed. He became eventually Secretary to the Chamber of Princes, Political Minister in Kashmir and in the great Sikh State of Patiala, and finally Prime Minister of Bikaner, one of the chief States of Rajputana.

He became known as one of the ablest administrators in India. But that was the mere routine side of his life. He began besides

## By Windrush

to exercise political influence. It was he who, when the British Government was drawing up the great Government of India Act of 1935, presided over the negotiations for federating the Indian States with British India. The negotiations were in the end abortive because the war prevented the fulfilment of the plan of the Act of 1935. But it was the plan of federation, initiated by Panikkar, which was the first step towards uniting the States and British India which was achieved finally by the merger of the States in 1947.

During this time Panikkar was known as the political world as a rising statesman. But there were a great many people in India, and some also in the West, who knew of him in a quite different capacity—who were in fact surprised to learn that he was engaged in politics at all. For this astonishingly energetic and versatile man has led several lives. He is also philosopher, poet, novelist and historian. In his native Malabar he is regarded as the foremost novelist of the day writing in the language called Malayalam. He has written the standard histories of the Dutch in India and of the Portuguese in India. (He learned Dutch and Portuguese for the purpose, and spent many months in the libraries of Lisbon and the Vatican.) He was in demand at Indian Universities to lecture on ancient and modern political theory.

## Balanced life

How did he contrive to pack so much into his life. By a careful organisation of his day's work. Like many Hindus he rose at dawn. But before turning to the duties of his political office he spent three clear hours in his literary activity. His divided and balanced life—of scholar, artist and administrator—recalled a little that of Goethe—the more especially because Goethe, the German Statesman of which Goethe was the chief minister, resembled an Indian extraordinarily closely.

After India became independent, it was inevitable that Panikkar should pass on to a larger stage. He has been a representative of India at the United Nations Assembly. He became Ambassador to the Kuomintang Government. Now he is to become Ambassador to the Chinese Communists. What Mao Tse-tung will make of him is one of the questions of the future. How extraordinary is the past which each of

them will bring to their meeting. Not the least curious feature in the situation is that Panikkar has a very strong physical resemblance to Lenin, especially in the shape of the head, cut of the beard, and characteristic stance.

Before taking up his post in Peking, Panikkar has been on leave in India. As was to be expected, he devoted his leave to his intellectual interests. Last January he delivered an important convocation address at Delhi University. One or two passages of this will show very well the temper of the mind which is now being tuned to the great problems of Sino-Indian relations.

"Our new democratic, equalitarian, and secular State is not built upon the foundations of ancient India, or of Hindu thought. What we have created is something new, as the life we hope to live and the civilisation we strive to develop is also something new...."

## A synthesis

"What modern India represents is a new civilisation, a synthesis between the East and the West. The history of India in all its great ages has shown that as a people we have never been exclusive in our attitude towards other countries, and have freely assimilated what other countries had to contribute...."

"It is a matter of pride to us, not of shame, that as a result of a 150 years of association with Britain we have been able to effect a synthesis of the East and the West, a synthesis which has expressed itself in every sphere of national life, in our social relationships, in our conception of law, in art, and in our political institutions...."

"Hindu culture, whatever its greatness and whatever its value, will survive only if it assimilates the experience of other cultures, and renounce itself by abandoning what has become old and meaningless, and reinterprets whatever remains in terms of modern life...."

"The difference between the educated man and an uneducated one lies not so much in the knowledge that one has accumulated through books, but in the social conscience which one develops, the discipline one acquires, the values one cultivates, and, above all, the spirit of charity and toleration which one develops."

## PILOT ESCAPED BY A TRICK

Vienna, April 1.

A 24-year-old Hungarian pilot, Istvan Urzan, landed an old Hungarian training plane in a field near Salzburg today having made good his escape from Hungary by a trick.

Urzan was flying with a co-pilot when he landed his plane near Balaton in Hungary and sent his co-pilot to fetch some cigarettes. While the co-pilot was away Urzan took off and flew non-stop to the field near Salzburg.

Urzan, who was a prisoner in British hands during the war, has asked for political asylum in Austria, the reports from Salzburg to the Vienna Press said.—Reuters.

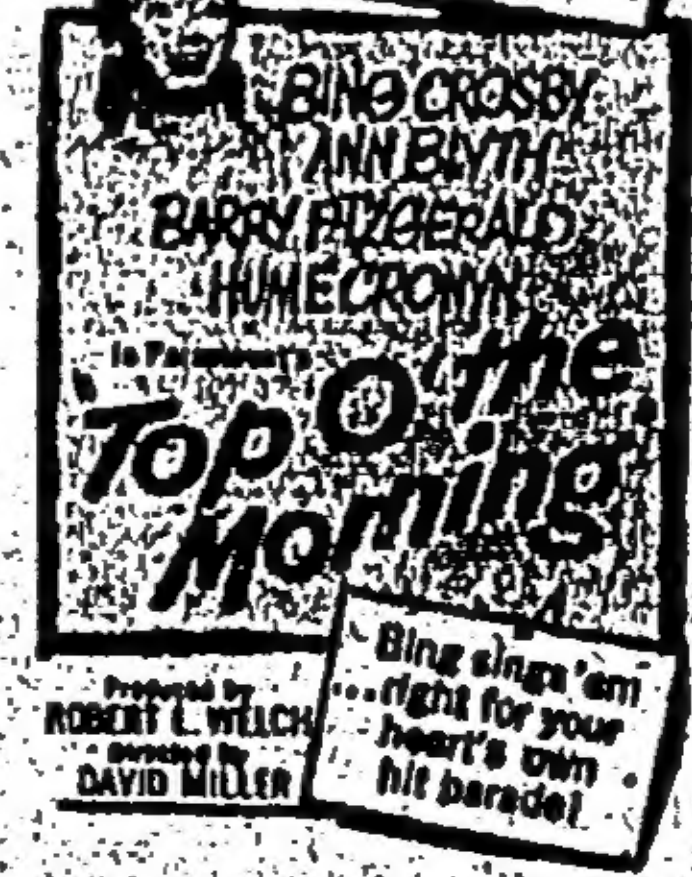
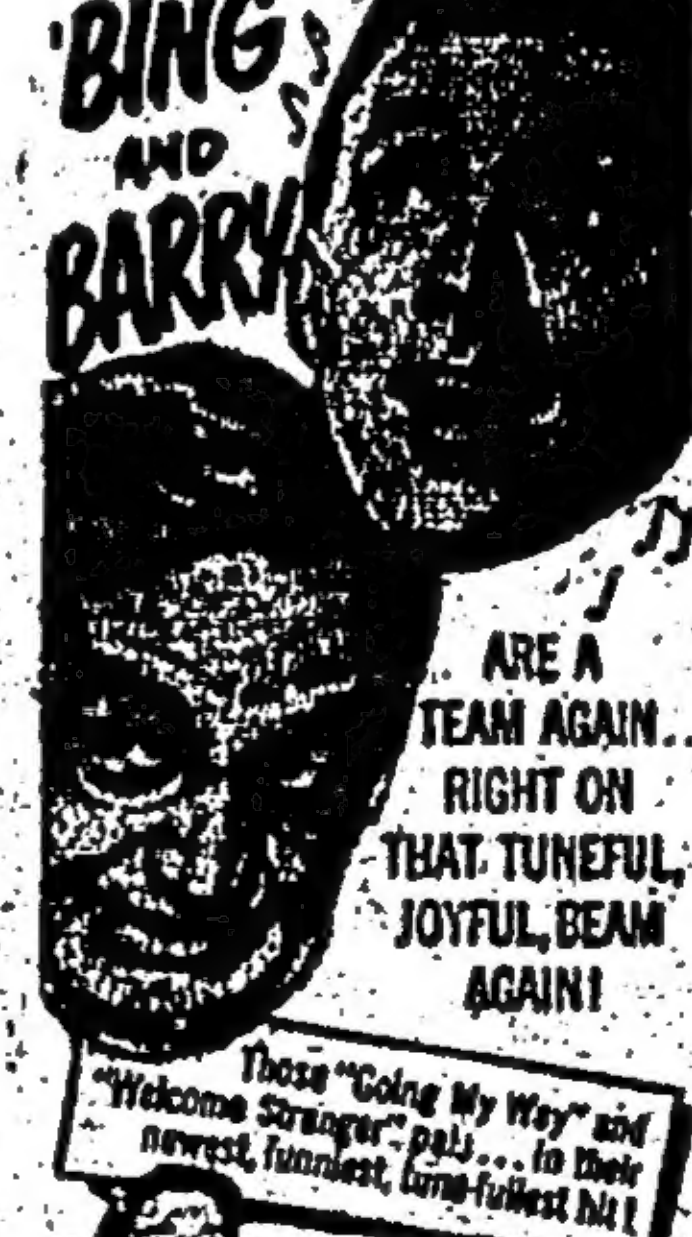
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An impression of Miss Tong in action by the artist, Mr. A. C. Scott.

## Chinese Classical dancer

Miss Averil Tong, one of the most distinguished exponents of classical Chinese dancing, will make her first professional appearance on the local stage on April 8 when she will perform at the Wah Yan College auditorium.

The performances will be repeated on April 9 and 10. Miss Tong will give the recital under the distinguished patronage of Lady Grantham and the British Council. The recital will be given under the title "An Evening in Cathay," which she is borrowing from the description of an American tour she conducted some years ago.

Her repertoire will include the dance of Yang Kuei-fei—the intoxicated beauty.

The name of this Court favourite of the Tang dynasty has been perpetuated more than any other in Chinese poetry and literature, an inspiration which has also lived on in the Chinese classical drama.

In this play, Miss Tong as Yang Kuei-fei, depicts an episode from the Imperial Palace.

The Court beauty learns from servants that the Emperor is supping with a rival. In a jealous rage she drinks cup after cup of wine which as it takes effect induces her to perform a dance which has all the qualities of a charming ballet of inebriation.

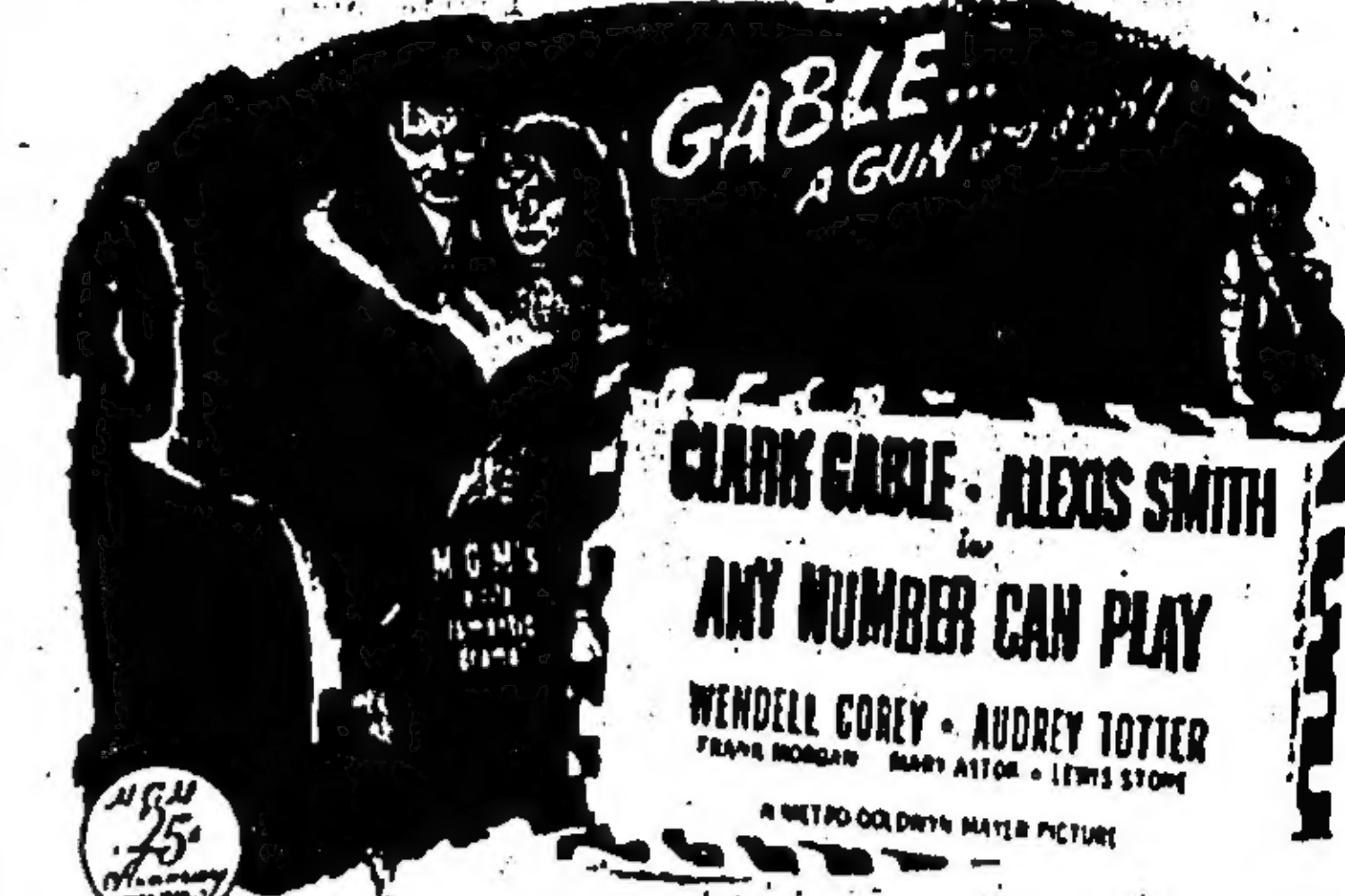
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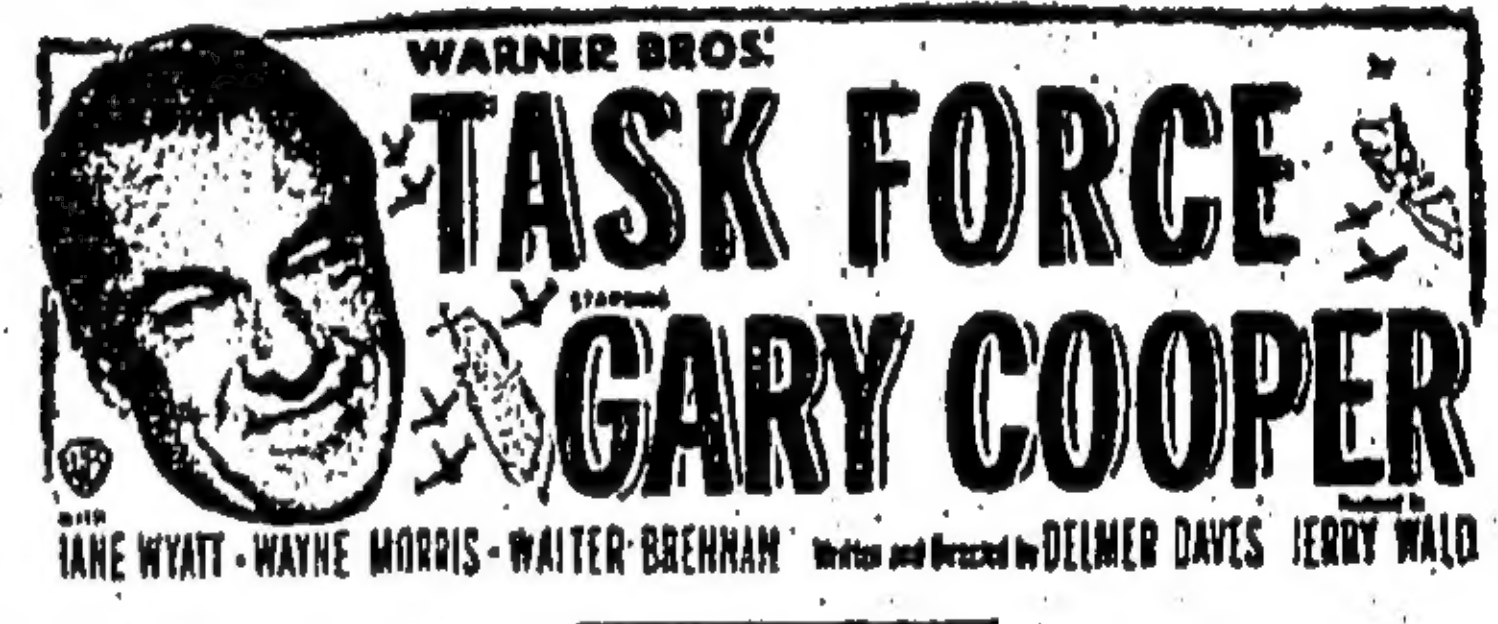
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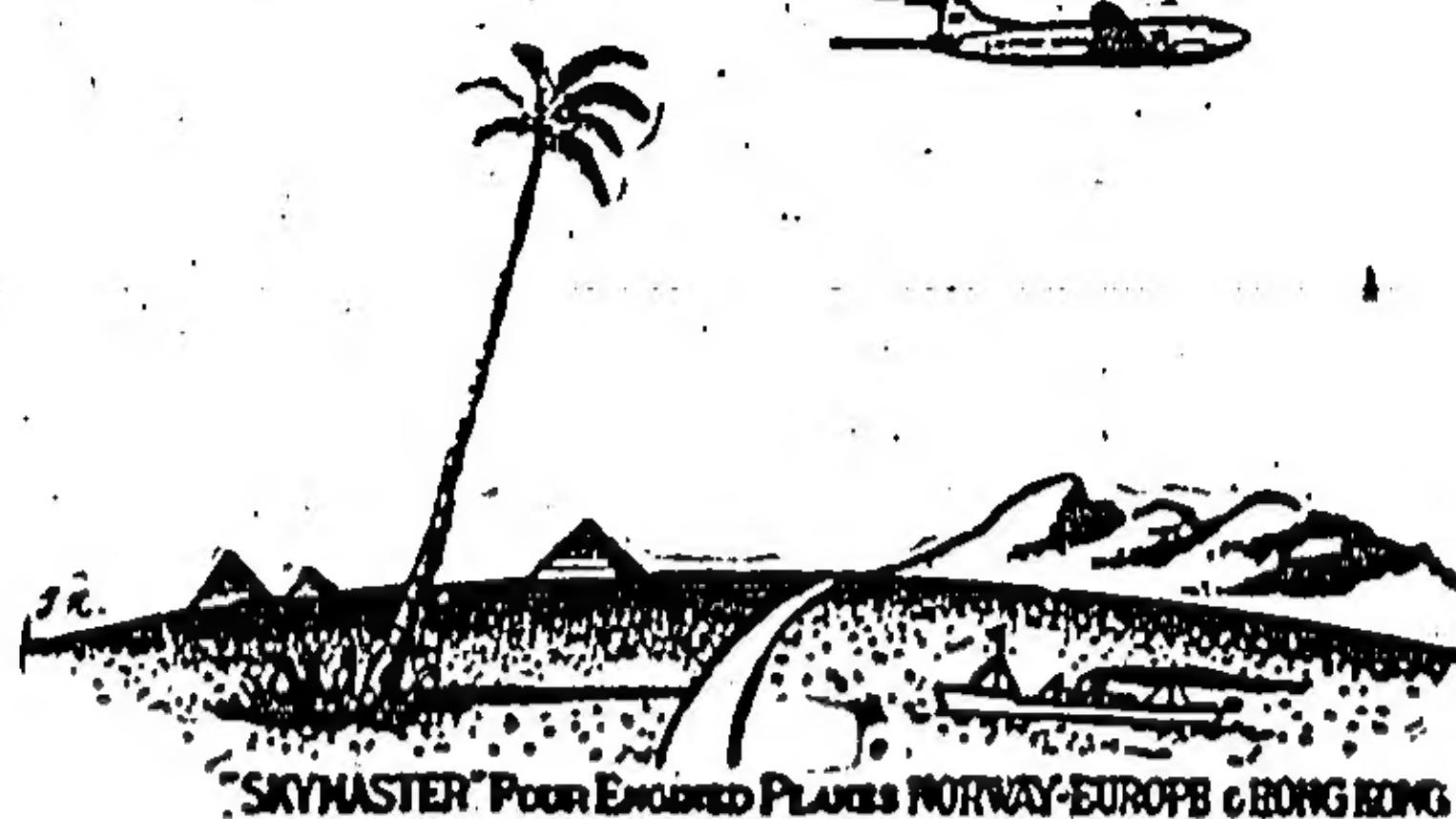
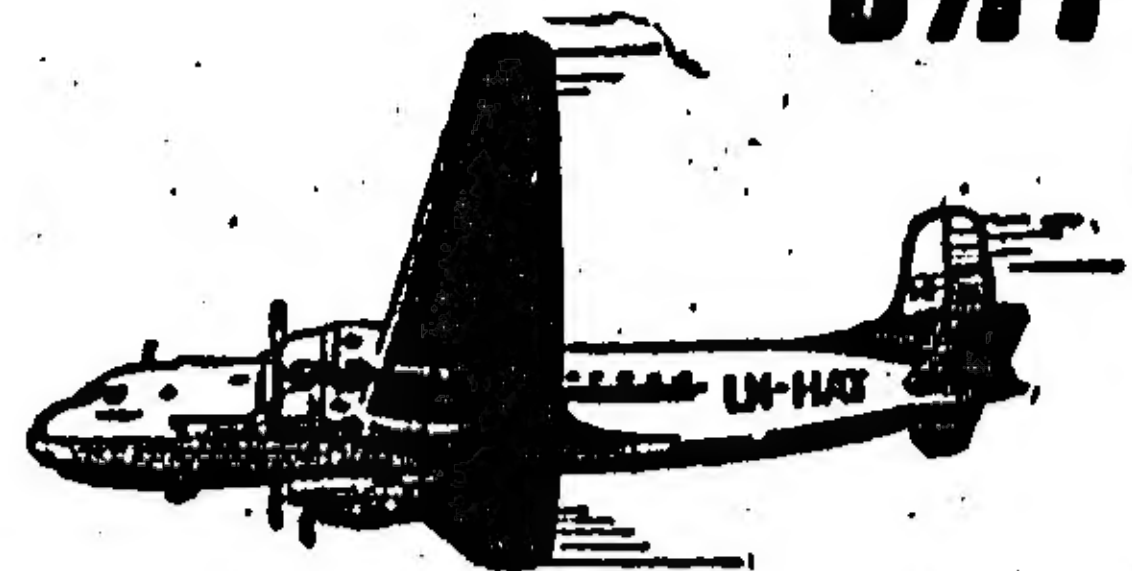
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## MALAYA'S UPS AND DOWNS

The campaign in Malaya is not going well. It has never been going well, either for the Government or for the bandits themselves, if we assume they had any political motive at all beyond merely ruining the country. It was entered upon lightly; and that applies to both sides. The Communists thought it a simple thing to proclaim a Republic, establish a "border Government" here and there in more remote areas as happened in China after the Japanese invasion, and then merge them. Within a month or two such ideas were knocked out of them, and from then onward there has been nothing but murder, arson and destruction—the most miserably destructive movement known in modern times. And nothing is more certain than that if by some remote chance it did overthrow the existing regime, a ferocious racial war with the Malays would follow.

The Communists took to the jungle on orders from outside, and while they are desperate men fighting for their own lives, what they are doing has no value whatsoever save to create chaos and misery in pursuance of the fanatic designs of Red Imperialism. Even in this it is not succeeding. All the normal productive activities of Malaya continue. The planters refuse to be terrorised, the tin miners carry on, output has reached higher levels than before the war, and trade has soared to new high levels. The political aims failed, and so did the economic aims. The jungle jacquerie has become simply and solely a killing match, in which the bandits have killed more civilians than they have men of the security forces. Meanwhile millions of dollars are going down the drain.

The British Communist Party recently issued a manifesto describing the action against these armed gangs as "an aggressive war against freedom and democracy!" In Malaya the Indian President of an elected Trades Union Council—which has taken the place of the self-imposed Communist Federation—re-torted that the trade unionists in Malaya look upon these terrorists as the enemies of freedom. But for their campaign of murder, arson, and terrorism, he added, Malaya could have achieved greater progress, both economic and social, after the war.

The wonder is, indeed, that so much has been done in this way when huge sums of money have to be diverted to the fighting of this menace. How much more could have been done is shown by the example of Singapore. That Colony is one of the most advanced anywhere in the comprehensive nature of its social services. Both Malaya and Singapore have long-term plans for a tremendous development of educational facilities, and if the Federation's pace is slower, the Colony of Singapore is rapidly implementing its plans. Nor has there been any slackening in the development of democratic institutions. In both the Legislative Councils, there is a majority of unofficial representatives, and in Singapore this majority is elected by the ratepayers. Talks are now going on with the idea of including Asian political leaders in Malaya in the Executive Council, and to put them in charge of certain

## WINSTON CHURCHILL'S WAR MEMOIRS: THE THIRD BOOK



# THE GRAND ALLIANCE

## The battle of Sidi Rezegh

By Winston Churchill

[The aircraft-carrier Ark Royal had already been sunk, to be followed by the torpedoing of the battleship Barham. Time-bombs fired by Italian "human torpedoes" disabled the Queen Elizabeth and Valiant at Alexandria. In Force "H," based on Malta, the cruiser Neptune was mined and the Aurora and the Penelope damaged.]

Up to the end of November our combined efforts by land, sea, and air had prevailed in the Mediterranean. We had now suffered fearful naval losses. And now on December 5 Hitler, realising at last the mortal peril, ordered the transfer of a whole Alr Corps from Russia to Sicily and North Africa. A new air offensive against Malta was launched under General Kesselring's direction. The attacks on the island reached a new peak, and Malta could do no more than struggle for life.

By the end of the year it was the Luftwaffe who held the mastery over the sea routes to Tri-

to work to ring up the Speaker, the Whips, and others concerned, to call both Houses together next day. I rang the Foreign Office to prepare to implement without a moment's delay a declaration of war upon Japan, about which there were some formalities, in time for the meeting of the House, and to make sure all members of the War Cabinet were called up and informed, and also the Chiefs of Staff and the Service Ministers, who, I rightly assumed, had had the news.

This done, my thought turned at once to what has always lain near my heart. To Mr. de Valera I sent the following message:

Now is your chance. Now or never! A nation once again!

I will meet you wherever you wish.

I thought also of struggling

a remark which Edward Grey had made to me more than 30 years before—they the United States is like "a gigantic boiler. Once the fire is lighted under it there is no limit to the power it can generate." To the power it can generate, I went to bed and slept the sleep of the saved and thankful.

## Cabinet approval

As soon as I woke I decided to go over at once to see Roosevelt. I put the matter to the Cabinet when we met at noon. On obtaining their approval I wrote to the King.

I have formed the conviction that it is my duty to visit Washington without delay, provided such a course is agreeable to President Roosevelt, as I have little doubt it will be. The whole plan of the Anglo-American defence and attack has to be concerted in the light of reality. We have also to be careful that our share of munitions and other aid which we are receiving from the United States does not suffer more than is, I fear, inevitable. The fact that Mr. Eden will be in Moscow while I am at Washington will make the settlement of large-scale problems between the two Governments easier.

These reasons were accepted by my colleagues in the Cabinet unanimously today, and I therefore ask Your Majesty's permission to leave the country. I should propose to start quite soon, in a warship, and to be absent altogether for about three weeks. I shall take with me a staff on the same scale as I took to the Atlantic meeting.

During my absence the Lord Privy Seal will act for me, assisted by the Lord President of the Council, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and other members of the War Cabinet. I would propose that during this period the three Service Ministers should temporarily sit with the War Cabinet. While I am away the Foreign Office will report to the Lord President, and the Defence Committee to the Lord Privy Seal.

I shall of course be constantly in touch by wireless with all that goes on, and can give decisions whenever necessary. I should propose to take with me the First Sea Lord and the Chief of the Air Staff, as the concert of all our arrangements with the United States on a high level is all-important. I hope I may receive Your Majesty's approval of this course, I am, of course, keeping my intention secret.

With my humble duty, I remain Your Majesty's most devoted, faithful servant and subject.

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL, P.S.—I am expecting that Germany and Italy will both declare war on the United States, as they have bound themselves by treaty to do so. I shall defer proposing my visit to the President until this situation is more clear.

The King gave his Assent. The War Cabinet authorised the immediate declaration of war upon Japan, for which all formal arrangements had been made. As Eden had already started on his journey to Moscow and I was in charge of the Foreign Office I sent the following letter to the Japanese Ambassador:

Foreign Office, December 8, 1941.

Sir, On the evening of December 7 His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom learned that Japanese forces without previous warning either in the form of a declaration of war or of an ultimatum with a conditional declaration of war had attempted a landing on the coast of Malaya and bombed Singapore and Hong Kong.

In view of these wanton acts of unprovoked aggression committed in flagrant violation of International Law and particularly of Article 1 of the Third Hague Convention relative to the opening of hostilities, to which both Japan and the United Kingdom are parties, His Majesty's Ambassador at Tokyo has been instructed to inform the Imperial Japanese Government in the name of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom that a state of war exists between our two countries.

I have the honour to be, with high consideration, Sir, Your obedient servant, WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

Some people did not like this ceremonial style. But after all when you have to kill a man it costs nothing to be polite.

(To be continued)



Now that we're having to get up an hour earlier, I am deferring my morning constitutional to summer time.

Despite austerity, Britons are said to be living longer. Maybe it only seems longer.

A man in New York says that he dreams in Technicolor. A pigment of his imagination?

Lambert bantam. Like a lot of other people here, I object strongly to British MPs making indefensible statements about Hong Kong.

"Does your wife collect shrunken heads, processed into the diminutive by Ecuandrian head-hunters?" No.

Said an opera singer named Beauchamp: "These notes are so high I can't reach them. They reach such a pitch I develop a stitch. And the best I can do is to scream a scream."

A surveyor in England, examining a burnt-out church, was buried when part of the building collapsed. He is suffering from fallen arches.

"Singapore bans Communist comics." I seem to be aware of a contradiction in terms.

Myrtle's grandfather says the only answers the modern child doesn't seem to know are the ones in the examination papers.

According to one investigator, the Royal Mint is the only nationalised industry in Britain that's making money.

It was said of one boxer that he met his hefty opponent at the weigh-in, and immediately asked for the way-out.

"Love is like a mushroom. You never know whether it's the real thing until it's too late."

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## Full retreat

Enemy is apparently in full retreat towards the West. El Adem is taken. South African and Indian troops joined hands there with British from Tobruk, and I think it now permissible to claim that the siege of Tobruk has been raised. We are pursuing vigorously in fullest co-operation with the Royal Air Force.

Here then we reached a moment of relief, and indeed of rejoicing, about the Desert war. The German records show the gloom that descended on military circles in Rome.

2 December, 41. The situation in North Africa demands the utmost efforts to supply the German forces, to replenish the considerable losses and to bring up first-rate reinforcements. With the present position of the sea, air transport must be the main carrier across the Mediterranean.

And again on December 4: The Duce speaks of freeing Bizerta as the only means of overcoming "transport difficulties." The occupation of Malta is not possible. He does not believe that Libya can be held much longer without supply through Tunisia. The situation for the Axis in the Mediterranean and North Africa is critical, because the supply routes were not kept open in time. Past decisions have been strongly influenced by the campaign against Russia.

At this crucial moment our naval power in the Eastern Mediterranean was virtually destroyed by a series of disasters.

Departments with the style of Ministers.

The formation of a Trades Union Council in Malaya is one of the latest moves. It was an action not without courage, for the Communists in the jungle are hostile to it, as they are everywhere to all freely elected bodies, whether of trade unions or of political representation. This Council is formed along the lines of the Trades Union Congress in Britain, and its objects are similar. There are more than 180 separate trade unions in Malaya—for rubber workers, miners, shopkeepers, telephonists, busmen, labourers, civil servants and so on. The Council will not dictate policy; it will do what the delegates from the various unions decide to have done. It is not another union—it is simply an instrument whereby organised labour in Malaya can carry on a constitutional and legal struggle by democratic means to "improve the lot" of the workers, and speak with one voice—disciplined voice.



"ALL PRESENT AND CORRECT, MA'AM"

China, and telegraphed to Chiang Kai-shek:

The British Empire and United States have been attacked by Japan. Always we have been friends; now we face a common enemy.

We also sent the following: Prime Minister to Mr. Harry Hopkins.

December 8, '41. Thinking of you much at this historic moment. — Winston, Averell.

Greatest joy

No American will think it wrong of me if I proclaim that to have the United States on our side was to me the greatest joy of events. I do not pretend to have measured accurately the martial might of Japan, but now at this very moment I knew the United States was in the war, up to the neck and in to the death. So we had won after all.

Yes, after Dunkirk; after the fall of France; after the horrible episode of Oran; after the threat of invasion, when, apart from the Air and the Navy, we were an almost unarmed people; after the deadly struggle of the U-boat war—the first Battle of the Atlantic, gained by hand and breath; after 17 months of lonely fighting and 19 months of my responsibility in dire stress. We had won the war. England would live; Britain would live; the Commonwealth of Nations and the Empire would live.

How long the war would last or in what fashion it would end no man could tell, nor did I at this moment care. Once again in our long island history we should emerge, however mangled or mutilated, safe and victorious. We should not be wiped out. Our history would come to an end. We might not even have died as individuals. Hitler's fate was sealed. Mussolini's fate was sealed. As for the Japanese, they would be ground to powder. All the rest was merely the proper application of overwhelming force.

The British Empire, the Soviet Union, and now the United States bound together with every scrap of their life and strength, were, according to my lights, twice or even thrice the force of their antagonists. No doubt it would take a long time. I expected terrible forfeits in the East; but all this would be merely a passing phase. United we could subdue everybody else in the world. Many disasters, immeasurable cost and tribulation lay ahead, but there was no more doubt about the end.

Silly people and there were many, not only in enemy countries, might discount the force of the United States. Some said they were soft, others that they would never be united. They would fool around at a distance. They would never come to grips. They would never stand blood-letting. Their democracy, and system of recurrent elections would paralyse their war effort. They would be just a vague blur on the horizon to friend or foe. Now we should see the weakness of this numerous but remote, wealthy and talkative people.

But I had studied the American Civil War, fought out to the last desperate inch. American blood

"Quite true"

In two or three minutes Mr. Roosevelt came through. "Mr. President, what's this about Japan?" "It's quite true," he replied. "They have attacked us at Pearl Harbour. We are all in the same boat now."

I put Winant on to the line and some interchanges took place; the Ambassador at first saying: "Good?" "Good" — and then, apparently graver, "Ah!" I got on again and said: "This certainly simplifies things. God be with you," or words to that effect.

We then went back into the hall and tried to adjust our thoughts to the supreme world event which had occurred; which was of so startling a nature as to make even those who were near the centre gasp. My two American friends took the shock with admirable fortitude. We had no idea that any serious losses had been inflicted on the United States Navy. They did not wait or lament that their country was at war. They wasted no words in reproach or sorrow. In fact, one might almost have thought they had been delivered from a long pain.

Parliament would not have met till Tuesday, and the Members were scattered about the island, with all the existing difficulties of communication. I set the office, moved in my yuletide. I thought of

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# MEETING BETWEEN PANDIT NEHRU AND LIAQUAT ALI KHAN

## Talks to cover as wide a ground as possible

Karachi, April 1.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, in a broadcast today, expressed the hope that his forthcoming visit to Delhi will remove all misunderstandings between India and Pakistan, and bring peace between the two countries.

He said he is going to Delhi tomorrow to discuss the two countries' minority problems with Pandit Nehru. They would attempt to remove the causes of the minority strife and to settle issues responsible for the existing Indo-Pakistan tension.

## CHINA ISSUE AT THE UN

Lake Success, April 2.

UN delegates are continuing private talks on the China problem but according to informed quarters no progress has been made.

The Secretary-General, Trygve Lie, who has been active in trying to solve the problem and end the Russian boycott of UN, is in Florida for a short holiday.

The Russians say they will not return to any UN meetings as long as the Chinese Nationalists are represented here.

UN officials confirmed reports that one of the many suggestions mentioned in the behind-the-scenes sessions was that some way might be found to expel the Chinese Security Council delegates without scuttling the Chinese Communists immediately. So far as they know, the proposal had not received any serious support.

One UN official believes that such a move would violate the UN charter which provides that members of the Security Council must be represented at all times. China is one of the permanent members of the 11-nation council.

Both British and U. S. spokesmen have heard nothing of any new approach to the problem.—Associated Press.

La Pallice, Western France, April 1.

Troops here today began loading the French freighter "Sainte Mere l'Eglise" with food, cars and electrical equipment for Indo-China after Communist dockers had refused to do so.—Reuter.



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## Peking envoy to India

New Delhi, April 1.  
General Yuan Chung-hsien has been appointed Communist India's Ambassador. The Foreign Ministry announced tonight. It said the Peking Government has agreed to the appointment of K. M. Panikkar as India's Ambassador to China.

General Yuan was garrison commander of military school in Nanking for six months until January this year, and negotiated with the British Government regarding HMS Amethyst.—Associated Press.

## EUROPEAN AGREEMENT REACHED

Strasbourg, April 1.

Foreign Ministers of Europe's infant Parliament set out for home tonight after a three-day meeting in which there was hardly a discordant note.

As one observer put it, "What once looked like being the breakdown period has proved to be the shakedown period."

The difficult time of the Council of Europe's earliest days, when the Consultative Assembly seemed to be pushing in one direction and the Committee of Ministers in another, seems to be definitely ended.

Foreign Ministers Robert Schuman of France and Ernest Bevin of Britain supported each other on almost every major issue.

"Anglo-French co-operation has probably never been better since the war," said one observer.

During their three-day session in Strasbourg, the Foreign Ministers asked Western Germany and the Saar to join Europe's Parliament as associate members with equal rights in the Assembly but without representation on the Ministers' own committee.

Agreed to set up a joint temporary committee of seven representatives of the Ministers and an equal number from the Assembly's Standing Committee to meet in London next May and find ways of providing an improved permanent liaison between the two branches of the Council.

Studied a lengthy report from the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC) on European economic conditions and considered means of avoiding future duplication of effort between OEEC and the Council of Europe.

Agreed that action on cartels should be studied in collaboration with a Committee of the International Trade Organisation.

The meeting also decided that the time is not opportune for a European economic conference.—Associated Press.

## VOROSHILOV FOR BUDAPEST

Budapest, April 1.  
Marshal Voroshilov, Soviet Deputy Prime Minister, will represent Russia at the celebrations of the fifth anniversary of Hungary's liberation from the Germans on April 4.

Other delegates will include Anna Pauker, Rumania's Foreign Minister, Herr Otto Grotewohl, and General Avonov, Czechoslovak Minister of Defence.—Reuter.

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## LATTIMORE MAY SUE MCCARTHY FOR LIBEL

New York, April 1.

Mr. Owen P. Lattimore, charged with being a Communist spy, came home today and threatened to sue his accuser for libel.

Mr. Lattimore, whom Senator Joseph McCarthy accused of being the top Communist agent in the United States, said the accusation had been made falsely, irresponsibly and libelously.

He will discuss possible legal action with his lawyers as soon as possible.

Senator McCarthy's remarks were made before a Senate Committee investigating the State Department. Testimony in such instances is usually immune from legal action.

Mr. Lattimore, who arrived by plane from London, plans to be in Washington on Tuesday.

He told reporters at a Press conference that his attorneys had offered all of his files including his personal correspondence to the Senate Committee. His files were also available to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Mr. Lattimore, a former State Department employee, has been on a United Nations mission to Afghanistan.

Mr. Lattimore said that the Wisconsin Senator's accusations were hampering U. S. officials abroad.

### Helping Russia

Mr. McCarthy's vicious attacks on the highest officials of our State Department are accomplishing results for Russia which exceed their wildest hopes," Mr. Lattimore declared.

"Do you think," he asked, "that any anti-Soviet nation in the world could possibly feel comfortable dealing with one of our own Senators accuses it of harbouring 57 card-carrying Communists?"

Senator McCarthy had said he would name 57 State Department employees who were Communists.

"The Soviet Union ought to decorate Senator McCarthy for telling the kind of lies about the United States that Russian propagandists could not invent," Mr. Lattimore said.—Associated Press.

## Fourth murder attempt fails

Asmara, April 2.

The fourth attempt on the life of Ato Walderb Waldemariam was perpetrated early yesterday afternoon when two terrorists shot him at close range in the crowded main street of Asmara.

Walderb, who was only slightly injured, is President of the independent Eritrea Party.

Editor of the independence bloc organ "One Eritrea" and a prominent politician, Walderb opposed union with Ethiopia.—Associated Press.

## S'PORE CINEMA INCIDENT

Singapore, April 1.

The Police today arrested a Chinese and charged him with showing disrespect to the King after he attempted to dissuade a theatre audience from standing up while the National Anthem was played.

The Chinese was said to have told the audience, "What do you want to stand up for? He will be dead in six months," as King George VI's picture was shown on the screen.—United Press.

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12.40—Popular Variety.

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.15—Interlude.

1.30—"Time for Music"—BBC Midland Light Orch. (BDCTS)

2.05—Close Down.

6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

6.02—Children's Half Hour—Conducted by Jack Frost, (Studio)

6.30—Portuguese Half Hour.

7.00—London Studio Melodies—The Melochino Orchestra (BDCTS)

7.30—"Off the Record"—Presented by Ronnie Gibbons, (Studio)

8.00—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

8.15—"I Like What I Like"—Presented by Jerry Levy, (Studio)

8.45—Linda Cater Talks on Films. (Studio)

9.00—"From the Editor's Desk." (London Relay)

9.10—Weather Report.

9.11—"Paganini's Concerto No. 1 in D Major, Op. 6, Second Menuet (Violin and Orchestra—Symphonique de Paris.

9.15—"Sweet Death"—A Mystery Play by Christanna Brand (BDCTS)

10.02—"Spanish Night"—Presented by "Ultima" (Studio)

10.35—"At the Ballet."

10.45—Dance to the Popular Tunes of the Day.

11.00—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)

11.15—Weather Report.

11.16—World News and Home News from Britain. (London Relay)

11.30—Close Down.

# DUTCH-INDONESIAN TALKS END IN FULL AGREEMENT

Jakarta, April 1.

The Netherlands-Indonesian Union today indirectly threw its support behind the formation of a South East Asia bloc aimed at maintaining peace in this part of the world.

A conference communique said the Union aims at contributing to raising the standard of prosperity of the peoples of South East Asia by creating conditions in which Indonesia can develop higher living conditions.

"For the achievement of the above objective it is essential that peace and stability be maintained in this part of the world," it said. "Union partners will also co-operate in measures to realise the maintenance of this condition while they sympathetically entertain any international initiative towards this objective."

The seven-day conference of Dutch and Indonesian Ministers produced several new commissions and additional agreements aimed at making the union between the two nations a living reality, according to the official communique.

The communique said that delegates reached an agreement for Holland to provide Indonesia a credit of 200,000,000 Netherlands Guilders for 1950.

The credit is to provide for an anticipated deficit of Indonesia in the payments of debts to the Netherlands.

"It will largely contribute to the favourable development of economic intercourse between the union partners," the communique said.

The loan is for 11 1/2 years at 3 1/2 per cent interest.

**Military Mission**

The new overall agreement on money payments between the

two countries merges all existing records on the subject. On financial and economic matters, all obstacles were overcome because the partners were in complete, mutual understanding and co-operation, the communique said.

The partners agreed to form immediately a temporary Netherlands military mission of not more than 800 men in Indonesia. A permanent military mission will be formed after the repatriation of the Dutch forces and will be no larger than the temporary one.

It was decided that the union Court of Arbitration will be invited to draw up as soon as possible draft regulations for procedure, organisation and arrangement of the court's activities. The draft will be submitted to the next conference of Ministers, probably next September, in Holland. The Ministers agreed that a final solution over New Guinea

could not be worked out at the first conference.

The second conference will be specially called to deal with this matter, the communique said, and a joint study committee was set up in preparation. The Committee, with three members from each country, will submit reports on July 1. The report will be brought to the notice of the UN Commission for Indonesia.

## New Guinea

The Netherlands, meanwhile, agreed that the Indonesians may station a Commissioner in New Guinea. The Netherlands delegation was asked to consider a further UN request to send a mission to New Guinea.

The general shipping agreement between Holland and Indonesia was extended by three months. The conference resolved to institute a commission, for judicial affairs. Each partner will appoint three members to the commission which will sit at Jakarta.

Another resolution called for a commission with Netherlands representatives to take up jointly, problems arising out of the employment of Indonesians in the UN Government.

A 14-man joint cultural commission will be established, it was decided.—United Press and Associated Press.

## SECURITY FIRST U.S. POLICY

Santa Monica, California,

April 1.

The United States policy is security first, and economy second, Admiral Arthur W. Radford said today.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet said this should be fully understood but it is equally obvious that U. S. military strength depends on a sound national economy and that there are practical limits to peacetime military budgets.

The Admiral said American foreign policy is, and must be, backed up by military strength in these critical times, but with economic limits on peacetime budgets the Navy and Marine corps must put great stress on their reserve programmes.

Responsible citizens, he continued, must take an active interest in world affairs in order to retain American world leadership.

The international situation, he said, does not necessarily mean there is no hope for continued peace.—Associated Press.

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A.M.

7.00—Up With The Sun.

7.15—Setting Up Exercises.

7.30—Musical Clock.

7.45—Ed. A. Keller Programme.

8.00—News & Weather Forecast.

8.15—Random Rhythms.

8.45—A Programme for Women.

9.00—Morning Music.

9.30—News & Music.

10.00—Morning Melody.

10.30—Console & Keyboard.

11.00—Music For All.

P.M.

12.00—H.K. Stock Exchange.

12.15—H.K. School Broadcast.

12.30—Radio Call.

1.00—Piano.

1.15—News.

1.30—Orchestral Concert.

2.00—Afternoon Musicals.

2.30—Glen Brown and His Wildcats.

3.00—Today's Choice.

3.15—Vocalists.

3.30—Music Maker.

3.45—Children's Corner.

4.00—Harmony Hall.

4.15—Radio Headlines.

4.30—Rediffusion Request Programme.

4.45—The Jumbies' Jinks.

5.00—Do You Remember?

5.15—Candlelight and Silver.

5.30—D.B.C. News.

5.45—Local News.

6.00—Sammy Kay's Orch.

6.15—Radio's Symphony of Melody.

6.30—The Star Singer.

6.45—Time out with Allan Prescott.

7.00—The King's Theatre Quiz Programme.

7.15—D.B.C. News.

7.30—Local News.

7.45—Relay.

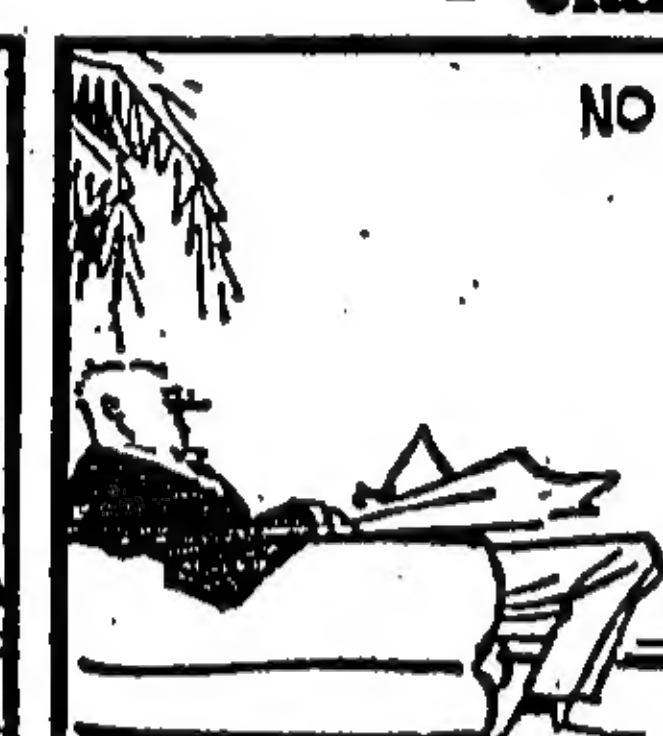
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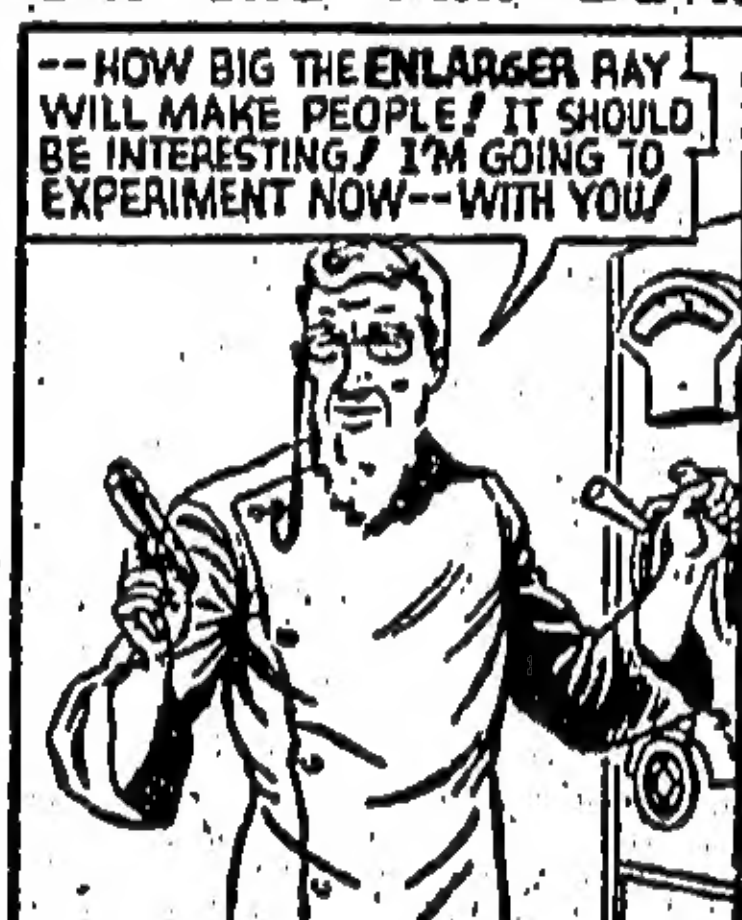
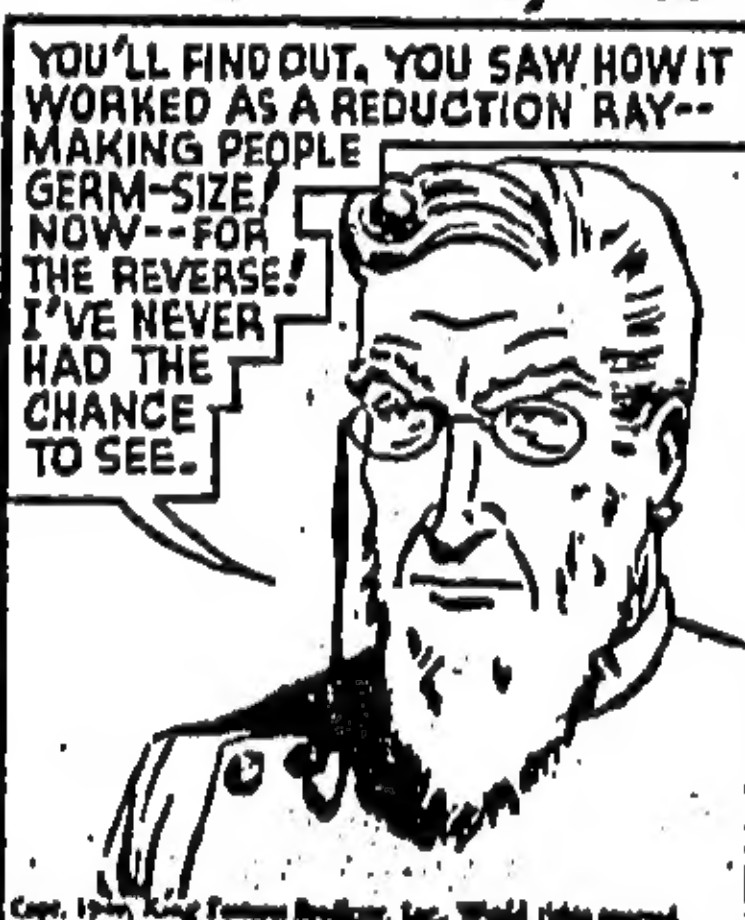
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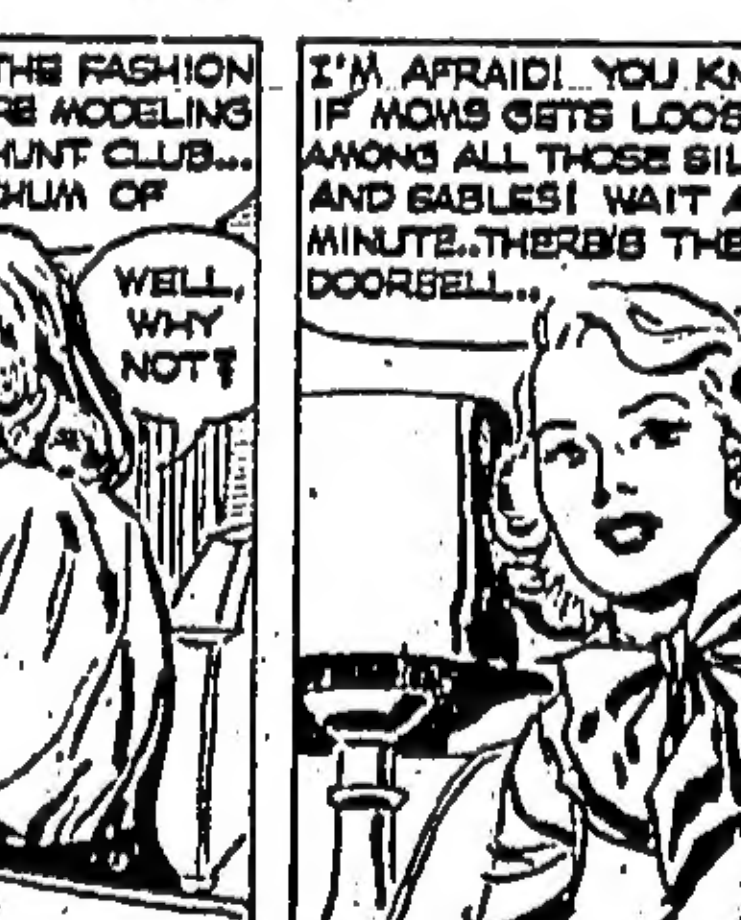
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

# ANGLO-U.S. TEXTILE MISSION TO JAPAN

Palm Beach, April 1.

Decision to send an Anglo-American group to Japan to study the textile situation in that country was reached today at a conference of American and British cotton textile manufacturers. The announcement of this development was made by Mr. Ellison S. McKissick, retiring President of the American Cotton Manufacturers Institute (ACMI), which closed its annual convention.

## New York Stock Exchange

New York, April 1. Low-priced stocks, particularly the cheaper rails, dominated the market at higher prices today. Gains ranged to around a point for favoured issues. Elsewhere the tendency was upward but traders took scant interest in many of the market's usual leaders. Business started off slowly but about half way through the two-hour session gathered speed as rails made more frequent appearances on the ticker tape. Toward the close, there was another slowdown. Volume hit a rate of about 600,000 shares for the day.

During the early trading, radio-television stocks made fresh progress. They retained all or most of their gains later but the main interest centred on the carrier group.

Among the gainers were Northern Pacific, Missouri, Kansas and Texas preferred, Canadian Pacific, U.S. Steel, American Telephone, Curtiss Wright and American Airlines.

Up in the curb were Canadian Marconi, Cities Service, Creole Petroleum, International Petroleum, Kirby Petroleum, Niagara Hudson Power, Technicon and Venezuelan Petroleum.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 74.43; 20 Industrials 205.37; 15 Rails 55.43; 10 Utilities 42.60.

Closing quotations:  
Adams Express 22 1/2  
Alaska Juneau 2 1/2  
American Can 11 1/2

Smelling 50 1/2  
Telephone 154 1/2  
Tobacco 70 1/2  
Waterworks 11 1/2  
Anaconda Copper 23 1/2  
Aviation Corp. 7 1/2  
Barracuda 50 1/2  
Bendix Aviation 40 1/2  
Bethlehem Steel 33 1/2  
Boeing Aircraft 27 1/2  
Borden Co. 50 1/2  
Canadian Pacific 14 1/2  
J. I. Case 41 1/2  
Chrysler 64 1/2  
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Kennecott Copper 49 1/2  
Montgomery Ward 54 1/2  
National Distillers 23 1/2  
Lead 39 1/2

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Packard Motors 3 1/2  
Pan American Airways 9 1/2  
Pennsylvania RR 17 1/2  
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Southern Pacific 52 1/2  
Standard Brands 23 1/2  
Oil of Calif. 65  
Oil of N. J. 68 1/2

Studebaker 20  
Union Bag 20 1/2  
Carbide 43 1/2  
US Rubber 40 1/2  
Steel 31  
Lins 6 1/2

Westinghouse 33 1/2  
Youngtown Sheet & Tube 80  
Gen. Pub. Utilities 17  
The bond market sploded a narrow course. The new Southern Pacific bonds took the cent-stage with a run-up of 1 1/2 points to 102 1/2. U.S. Governments were inactive and there was little change in the price of foreign dollar loans.—Associated Press.

## TALKS ON QUOTAS POSTPONED

Geneva, April 1. The contracting parties to the general agreement on tariffs and trade (GATT) today agreed to postpone the debate on Britain's import restrictions. Similar action was taken regarding the restrictions imposed by Australia, Ceylon, Chile, India, New Zealand, Pakistan and Southern Rhodesia.

All will be discussed at the next meeting of the GATT members during the Torquay tariff negotiations, next September.

GATT members are empowered to demand consultations with other contracting parties which impose restrictions to the possible prejudice of the agreement.

Britain would try to cut dollar imports by 25 per cent to halve its dollar deficit.

Mr. McKissick appointed Mr. R. T. Stevens, Chairman of the Board of the R. T. Stevens Company, New York, to act as Chairman of the American section of the committee, while it was understood that Sir Raymond Street, Chairman of the British Cotton Board, would be Chairman of the British section. Representatives from the ACMI who will make the trip in May are Mr. Marion W. Helms of the Cose Mills, Greensboro, North Carolina, and Mr. Shannon W. Lyman, Pittsburg Yarn Company, Pittsburg, Massachusetts.

There will also be representatives on the American group going to Japan from several other textile trade groups.

The mission will have no official status, but the situation will be reviewed with leaders in the Japanese industry.

The American delegation will represent not only the ACMI, made up of both Southern and New England mills, but also the Association of Cotton Textile Merchants of New York, the Textile Export Association, and the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, New England Trade Board.

Shrinking exports and the threat of a flood of imports from low wage foreign countries, principally Japan, have been uppermost in discussions at the ACMI convention which ended today.

## Lost market

A committee report on foreign trade presented on Friday pointed out that American mills have already apparently lost an export market of almost one billion yards, and quantities of foreign goods are now entering the domestic market in this country.

The committee said that if the Administration continues its apparent policy of tariff elimination, the result will be chaos in the American industry. The industry employs more than 600,000 men and women, mostly in the South and New England.

Tariff protection, the committee said, is half what it was 15 years ago, and another round of tariff cuts is in prospect for this autumn.

It added that unless Congress can be persuaded to provide tariff protection, the American textile industry deserves, then it (Congress) is ready to admit that the textile employees must face drastically reduced wages, which they as manufacturers surely do not want.

The retiring President of the ACMI, Mr. Ellison S. McKissick, in his annual report termed the situation alarming. He pointed to the textile industries of the war-damaged foreign countries as virtually subsidised by the American taxpayer.—Associated Press.

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## Cotton goods below standard?

Manchester, April 1. Manchester textile firms are to ask their agents in Malaya for full details of complaints by the Singapore Chamber of Commerce that the printing and finishing of Lancashire cotton fibre goods is below standard.

An official of the Calico Printers' Association, which prepared urgent cables for its Malayan representatives today, said that they are anxiously awaiting more details of the complaints. He said that the Association could not understand the charge because there had been no complaints from other quarters.

The Association believes that the source of the trouble might lie among mushroom firms who had gone into the Malayan market because it was considered attractive, he said.

Mr. Eric Stewart, Chairman of the China and Far Eastern section of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, said that everything possible will be done to satisfy Malayan buyers because the market is extremely important to Lancashire.

He thought that if there had been a falling off in printing standards it might be due to the large number of apprentices recruited into the trade by some firms at the end of the war.

## JESSUP TO BE "ATOMIC ENVOY"

New York, April 1.

The New York "Journal American" reported today from Washington that Dr. Philip Jessup, retiring as United States Roving Ambassador, will become "Atomic Ambassador" and will revive negotiations to share American atomic secrets with Britain and Canada.

The action was taken, according to the newspaper at the request of Mr. Dean Acheson, the Secretary of State, and with the approval of President Truman.

## CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, April 1.

Grain prices edged upward today. Gains were small in all pits with oats giving the best display of underlying firmness from the start. Wheat closed an eighth to a quarter higher.

May 2.24 1/4-3/8.  
Corn was 1/8 to 1/4 lower.  
May 1.35 1/2-5/8.  
Oats were 1/4 to 3/8 higher.  
May 75.  
Rye was 1/4 to 1 1/4 higher.  
May 1.14 3/4.  
Soybeans were 5/8 lower to 1/2 higher. May 2.69 to 2.04.—Associated Press.

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# U.S. SALES DRIVE IN EUROPE

Washington, April 1.

With U.S. Government backing, American experts are soon to invade Britain and Europe in a drive to increase sales of American tobacco, cotton, fruit and dairy products.

They will study the goods of British and other competitors and will try to dispose of part of at least of America's huge surplus of farm products.

Speakeading the invasion will be J. Barnard Gibbs, tobacco marketing specialist. He is due to reach Europe early in May and will make his headquarters in Paris.

Next will be Francis Whittaker, cotton marketing specialist, due in Europe in June. He will also have his headquarters in Paris but will spend some time in England seeking new outlets for American cotton and helping American cotton exporters in Europe.

A dairy specialist will also be sent in the interests of American producers of dried milks, dried eggs and other dairy products. This specialist has not been appointed yet.

A fourth expert is Glenn Riddell, a co-operative marketing authority, who will leave soon for Italy. He will tour Western Europe and Britain.

All these sales envoys will have official standing, making it possible for them to approach European governments in a way impossible for private American businessmen, the U.S. Department of Agriculture said.

Several experts are already engaged in similar work, including P. K. Norris, leading U.S. cotton authority, who is making a cotton survey in Africa. He is studying possible competition from the British cotton production programme in Africa may effect U.S. international cotton activities.—Associated Press.

## NO MORE OIL CONCESSIONS

New York, April 1.

Persia will extend no more concessions to foreign countries or concerns for the exploitation of oil or other raw materials, the Shah Mohammed Azad, Persia said in an interview published in the "New York Times" today.

In a despatch from Teheran, the "Times" Correspondent, Mr. C. L. Sulzberger, quoted the Shah as saying that Persia, however, would welcome foreign investment in development companies controlled by Persia.

The Shah added that the huge Anglo-Iranian Oil concession at Abadan, controlled by Britain, is not affected by this decision and still has between 43 and 45 years to run.

## MAERSK LINE

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The M/V "GERTRUDE MAERSK" having arrived from New York and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk and expenses into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after April 6, 1950, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on April 6, 1950, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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Hong Kong, April 2, 1950.

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m.s. "CANTON"	14th Apr.	14th Apr.
m.s. "CANTON"	22nd Apr.	22nd Apr.
m.s. "CANTON"	30th Apr.	30th Apr.
m.s. "CANTON"	8th May	8th May
m.s. "CANTON"	16th May	16th May
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m.s. "SHILLONG"	10th Apr.	London & Continent.
m.s. "SHILLONG"	18th Apr.	—
m.s. "SHILLONG"	26th Apr.	—
m.s. "SHILLONG"	4th May	—
m.s. "SHILLONG"	12th May	—
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"TJISADANE"	21st Apr.	26th Apr.

\* Only to B'pore, Penang & B. Dell

**MANILA, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA**

SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"BOISSEVAIN"	13th Apr.	10th Apr.
"STRAAT SOENDA"	12th Apr.	14th Apr.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	13th May	4th May
"TEGELBERG"	13th May	1st June

\* not calling Manila

**JAPAN**

SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"BOISSEVAIN"	9th Apr.	17th Apr.
"STRAAT SOENDA"	2nd May	14th Apr.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	31st May	15th May
"TEGELBERG"	13th May	1st June

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SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
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"MEERKERK"	early May	2nd May
"RYNKERK"	early May	early June

Through B/L issued to Mediterranean and Northern European ports.

**JAPAN**

SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"HOOGKERK"	7th Apr.	17th April
"MEERKERK"	1st May	early May
"RYNKERK"	Early June	early May

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SHIP	SAILINGS
"PIONEER SEA"	Apr. 10
"PIONEER COVE" (via Yokohama, Takumar)	May 3
"PIONEER MAIL" (via Yokohama)	May 15

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SHIP	SAILINGS
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M.V. "BENGAL" ..... due 15th Apr.  
M.S. "DONA ANICETA" ..... due 3rd May  
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ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"ANNITRA"	EAST COAST U.S.A.	Apr. 14th	Apr. 14th
"VASSILIS"	"	Apr. 14th	Apr. 14th
"BOROL"	"	Apr. 14th	Apr. 14th

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## HONG KONG WATERFRONT

BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER

### In my log

In remembrance...

He was the prehistoric "Kohio-do" dragon  
To thrill both the young and the old.  
But civilisation they forgot to reckon  
He succumbed ere he reached his goal.

News of the tragic death of the priceless denizen of Komodo Island, off Borneo, has reached us.

The eight-foot prehistoric creature died shortly after he stepped ashore at San Pedro, California, to climax an unprecedented voyage across the Pacific—via Hong Kong.

Animal lovers will remember the furor following the arrival of this modern counterpart of the mythical flame-spitting monster which in the Realm of Mythology a staunch knight would kill to win his lady love.

A brief description—the rare carnivore, looking like a "monster" from the East, is an awe-inspiring sight with his murderous looking talons and forked tongue, with both of which he had been known to kill human beings, pigs, birds and smaller animals.

(The female species, a 12-footer, died shortly after disembarking here, in a Nathan Road pet store.)

Strange as it may seem.

From certain inside information we learned during the week how Fate, if we may call it so, had a part in the recent harbour tragedy when the ferry launch *Mun To* and the "walla walla" *Australia* collided in mid-stream.

According to one in the know, the *Steel Navigator* arrived three hours late on that fateful day (March 10).

She was to have discharged her cargo at Kowloon Wharf. But the original plans had to be changed when no pier was available and she moored mid-stream at buoy A 2.

Mrs. Penelope Osborne, passenger of the steamer en route to Singapore—had waited for some time for a motor boat to go ashore. She got a lift from Mr. David Fitzroy-Williams when he was returning on the *Australia* after completing his work aboard.

We learned further that Mr. Fitzroy-Williams, who lived on the island, had intended to take his car across from Kowloon where it had been repaired. It was delayed on board because of pressure of work in preparing the ship's papers for immediate clearance the following morning.

### World of their own



### Wot, no one wants a ride?

An individual of seemingly great human endurance but ironically one more susceptible to human disease and with a much shorter span of life than the average man is the rickshaw puller.

That is an impression of the so-called "human beast of burden"—a man unkindly ostracized by society by virtue of his perpetual poverty and rank illiteracy through generations. The rickshaw puller is somewhat of a paradox in human society—one generally debased but whose existence more often than not has been a boon.

His is a fast-dying lot... disease, age and our modern era of machines have drastically taken their toll among the ranks. Today, there are some 1,500 rickshaw pullers (mostly refugees from the interior) who run 893 public and 31 private vehicles.

The puller gets an average of \$5 a day—7 a.m. to 3 p.m.—which leaves him \$3.50 after paying off the hire of the rickshaw. The evening shift, from 3 p.m. to late midnight, is not so lucrative but the strain lessens under the soft impact of nightfall.

Isolated from the world and its "headaches" by sheer illiteracy, he leads a life of his own—tranquil in mental state and rejoicing in his career though strenuous work.

A rickshaw puller is a happy-go-lucky but temperamental character who lives by the day from hand to mouth. To him life is just "dead yesterday, unborn tomorrow."

### MM'S FINE RECORD IN FAR EAST

It was the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes that began to run on regular mail schedules to Hong Kong—22 years after the Colony was founded.

The fleet of the French shipping organisation reached its maximum just before the war when "MM" had 45 vessels, comprising 31 passenger liners and 14 freighters, both categories averaging a total tonnage of 400,370.

The latest acquisition is the deluxe liner *La Marseillaise*, the pride of the "M" fleet today.

The war took a heavy toll and the French shipping firm had only 13 passenger liners and seven cargo vessels, totalling 177,351 tons in 1945.

Post-war rebuilding began almost immediately. The rehabilitation programme has now increased the "MM" fleet to 40 vessels in operation. They have a total tonnage of 337,070.

Today, two more ships of the *La Marseillaise* type with a speed of 21 knots are being built—*Dunkirk* and *La Clotat*. They are expected to be ready for service on the Hong Kong run in 1951-52.

Eight vessels for passenger and cargo service on the "MM" foreign runs are also undergoing construction. Four 10,100-ton passenger-cum-cargo vessels with a speed of 17 knots will be put on the Madagascar—Reunion—Mauritius route. Two are to join the Tahiti-New Caledonia line, *Vie* and *Penama*.

The remaining two are freighters—one being built at Brest and the other at Saint Nazaire. The *Meinam* of 10,100 tons is nearing completion. Work is proceeding on the *Pei Ho*. Both have a speed of 16 knots.

Four smaller cargo vessels, of 8,300 tons, are in the blue-print stage.

## Floating population register for rice

Hundreds of the Colony's floating population—men, women and children—are besieging the Licensing Offices of the Marine Department at Victoria, Aberdeen, Yauwattai and Shaikwan to collect their registration cards.

To each of the "Tanka" community, this form of recognition—by Government means more than a mere formality—for to possess an identification means being eligible for rice rations.

The exodus into the Licensing Offices began late last month. The initial stages started shortly after the Chinese New Year when registration teams visited the fishing tankas for the necessary photographing and fingerprinting.

The Marine Department sent out similar field teams to work in conjunction with the Registration staff.

The whole process is carried out by the simple expedient of licensing a craft first, registering the fishing tankas for the necessary photographing and fingerprinting.

The "Tanka" will be given the regular rice rations. So far thousands have been licensed and registered.

Co-operation by these simple people has considerably overcome the many difficulties of gathering the itinerant craft for the photographing of the owners and dependants.

### A thrill

The keen interest and enthusiasm shown by the "Tanka" population are evident by the "humour" of the crowd flocking into the Licensing Offices. In orderly queues and with quiet patience each man, woman and child takes his or her turn without a murmur even after waiting and shuffling for some length of time.

To many, possession of the coveted pink card provides a certain thrill. It is the first time that they have seen themselves on a photograph.

It is not uncommon to see a "Tanka" boy or girl scrutinising his or her own picture with pride and awe.

A well-organised system has enabled the officials concerned to issue the cards in a quick time and without a hitch.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

M/V "AGAMEMNON"

Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed at Holt's Wharf between 10 a.m. and noon on April 4, 1950, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents  
Hong Kong, April 3, 1950.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

M/V "DONA NATI"

Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed at Holt's Wharf between 10 a.m. and noon on April 4, 1950, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

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Hong Kong, April 3, 1950.

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## BENGLINE

ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	ARRIVALS	DUE
"BENLAWERS"	U.K. via Singapore	10th Apr.	10th Apr.
"BENATTOCH"	"	10th Apr.	10th Apr.
"BENATTOCH"	"	10th Apr.	10th Apr.
"BENNEVIS"	on or abt.	27th Apr.	30th Apr.
"BENROUADHAN"	"	30th Apr.	30th Apr.
"BENNYVIS"	"	30th Apr.	30th Apr.
"BENLEUCH"	"	11th May	11th May
"BENVORLICH"	"	27th May	27th May
"BENARTY"	"	27th May	27th May
"BENMACDHUI"	"	17th Jun	17th Jun
"BENALDER"	"	25th Jun	25th Jun

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	SAILINGS	LOADING ON
"BENATTOCH"	London, Antwerp	20th Apr.	20th Apr.
"BENLEUCH"	Rotterdam, Hamburg	15th May	15th May
"BENMACDHUI"	Hull	15th Jun	15th Jun
"BENNEVIS"	Genoa, Liverpool, Avonmouth, La Havre, & Hamburg	30th Apr.	30th Apr.
"BENVORLICH"	Genoa, Avonmouth, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull	10th May	10th May
"BENARTY"	"	10th May	10th May
"BENLAWERS"	Liverpool, Glasgow, & Belfast	10th May	10th May
"BENROUADHAN"	Dublin, Havre, Antwerp & Rotterdam	20th May	20th May
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